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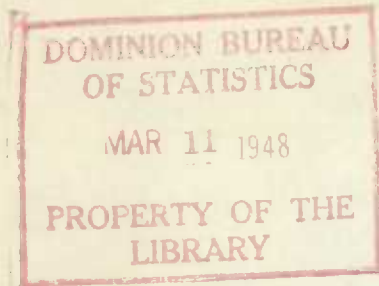
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**AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS**

**AS REPORTED**

**AT THE BEGINNING OF**

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## EXPLANATION OF THE TERMS USED IN THIS REPORT.

Wage-Earners.- Employers are asked to furnish monthly statistics on man-hours on behalf of those wage-earners for whom they keep a record of aggregate hours worked, so that the data relate, in the main, to persons employed at hourly rates. Information for salaried employees is purposely excluded, while in many cases, statistics of man-hours are not available for certain classes of wage-earners, whose earnings, like those of most salaried employees, are not directly dependent upon the number of hours worked; examples of wage-earners frequently excluded are route drivers, piece-workers in many but not all establishments, truck men, etc. In addition, some employers do not keep a record of man-hours for any classes of employees. Accordingly, the number of workers for whom statistics are given in the present bulletin is smaller than the total number of employees, (salaried personnel and wage-earners) for whom statistics of employment and payrolls are obtained in the monthly surveys on these subjects; the results of these surveys are published in the monthly bulletins on employment and payrolls, which also contain data relating to the sex distribution of the workers in recorded employment, an important factor contributing to differences shown in the average earnings in various industries.

The monthly statistics of average hours and average hourly earnings, like those of employment and average weekly earnings relate, in the main, to establishments usually employing 15 persons and over, the smaller firms being excluded for reasons of economy in terms of cost and time. In the case of the manufacturing industries, (largely represented in the material of the present bulletin), the statistics relate to over 75 p.c. of all salaried employees and wage-earners reported by the establishments co-operating in the monthly surveys of employment and payrolls; at the date of the last Decennial Census, (June 1, 1941), the manufacturers furnishing monthly data employed approximately 93 p.c. of all persons enumerated as at work in manufacturing.

In mining and construction, data on hours and earnings are currently available for some 85 p.c. and 83 p.c., of the total employees reported to the monthly surveys of employment and payrolls in those industries, respectively; at June 1, 1941, the co-operating mine operators had employed over 96 p.c. of all wage-earners at work as enumerated in the Census, while the employers in construction whose statistics were then received had reported over 79 p.c. of the Census total of employees at work in that group. It should be noted that the comparisons with the Census figures are complicated by differences in the classifications used in compiling the two series, so that the percentages of coverage are only approximate.

Man-Hours.- The statistics of man-hours include overtime as well as the hours worked by part-time and casual workers. Hours credited to persons absent on leave with pay in the recorded pay period are included in the statistics as though the hours for which payment was made had been worked.

Wages.- The wages reported represent gross earnings before deductions are made for taxes, unemployment insurance, etc.; they do not, however, include the value of board and lodging which in some cases is part of the remuneration of workers. Incentive and production bonuses and overtime payments are included, as are sums paid employees absent on leave with pay during the pay period for which statistics are given. The figures of average weekly wages result from the multiplication of the average hours worked during the period of observation, by the average hourly earnings reported in the same period.

Pay Periods.- Statistics of man-hours and hourly wages reported for periods exceeding one week in duration are reduced by the appropriate proportions to obtain for tabulation purposes the number of hours worked and the hourly earnings in one week in the indicated pay period; such information is then added to the data furnished by employers who pay on a weekly basis, so that, in all cases, the tabulated data represent the situation in one week in each month.

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STATISTICS OF MAN-HOURS AND HOURLY EARNINGS AS REPORTED AT JAN. 1, 1948,  
WITH COMPARISONS AS AT DEC. 1 AND JAN. 1, 1947.

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1. Manufacturing.

In accordance with the seasonal trend, there were declines in the number of hourly-rated wage-earners employed in manufacturing in the week of Jan. 1, in the hours which they worked, and in their aggregate hourly earnings. The 6,371 establishments furnishing data to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics reported a staff of 770,238 hourly-rated employees at the date under review, a falling-off of three p.c. from their Dec. 1 total of 794,420 wage-earners. The hours worked by or credited to these men and women in the week preceding Jan. 1 aggregated 29,533,119; as compared with the total of 34,560,916 in the week of Dec. 1, there was a decrease of 14.5 p.c. The wages disbursed to the hourly-rated wage-earners amounted to \$25,563,771 at Jan. 1, and to \$29,570,232 at Dec. 1, there being a reduction of 13.5 p.c. at the date under review. The losses at the beginning of January, 1947, had amounted to 2.3 p.c. in the case of the wage-earners, to 13.7 p.c. in the man-hours reported, and to 11.7 p.c. in the aggregate hourly wages. The fact that Christmas in 1947 was celebrated on Thursday with Boxing Day a holiday in many centres, meant that in many establishments operations were also suspended or greatly curtailed on Saturday, so that work was virtually at a standstill in many factories for a considerable part of the week.

The hours worked, on the average, fell from 43.5 in the week of Dec. 1, to 38.3 in that of Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with 38.1 in the same period of 1947, 38.1 in 1946, and 39.6 in the week of Jan. 1, 1945. In the last year, the slight increase in the average hours worked or paid for during the week under review is due in part to the fact that the increasingly large numbers of firms pay their employees for the holiday.

The average rate per hour in manufacturing generally at the date under review was 86.6 cents, as compared with 85.6 in the week of Dec. 1, 1947, 76.3 cents at Jan. 1, 1947, 67.9 cents at Jan. 1, 1946, and 70 cents at the same date in 1945. The latest figure is the highest in the comparatively brief period during which monthly statistics of man-hours and hourly earnings have been collected. The increase over Jan. 1, 1947, amounted to 13.5 p.c. and that over Jan. 1, 1946, to 27.5 p.c., while the three years' comparison showed an increase of 23.7 p.c.

An average weekly wage of \$33.17 was reported at the date under review in manufacturing as a whole, as compared with \$37.24 in the week of Dec. 1, 1947, \$29.07 at Jan. 1, 1947, and \$25.87 at Jan. 1, 1946 and \$27.72 at Jan. 1, 1945. These figures represent gross earnings before deductions are made for income tax, unemployment

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Note:- Attention is drawn to Tables 4, 6 and 9 which are published for the first time this month. They show average hours worked and average hourly earnings in the non-manufacturing industries for which statistics of man-hours are available from Jan. 1, 1945 to date; average weekly wages in manufacturing by Canada and provinces from Nov. 1, 1944 to date and average weekly wages in manufacturing in certain leading cities from Nov. 1, 1944 to date.



TABLE 1.- AVERAGE HOURS WORKED AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF HOURLY-RATED WAGE-EARNERS IN MANUFACTURING AS A WHOLE AND IN THE MANUFACTURE OF DURABLE GOODS AND OF NON-DURABLE GOODS.

Week Preceding	All Manu- factures no.	Average Hours Worked		All Manu- factures ¢	Average Hourly Earnings	
		Durable Goods no.	Non-Durable Goods no.		Durable Goods ¢	Non-Durable Goods ¢
Nov. 1, 1944	46.3	47.0	45.3	70.3	77.7	60.1
Dec. 1	46.3	46.9	45.5	70.5	77.9	60.4
* Jan. 1, 1945	39.6	39.7	39.5	70.0	77.1	60.9
Feb. 1	45.4	46.0	44.7	70.1	77.8	60.3
Mar. 1	45.8	46.5	45.0	70.1	77.8	60.3
* Apr. 1	43.6	44.2	42.7	70.4	78.0	60.9
May 1	45.5	46.2	44.5	70.5	78.2	60.9
June 1	44.3	44.7	43.9	70.3	77.5	61.4
July 1	44.3	45.0	43.3	70.1	77.0	61.2
Aug. 1	44.3	44.7	43.7	69.5	76.9	60.7
Sept. 1	44.1	44.2	44.0	69.2	76.5	60.9
Oct. 1	44.7	45.0	44.5	67.8	75.4	60.4
Nov. 1	44.9	45.3	44.6	67.5	74.8	60.6
Dec. 1	44.8	44.9	44.6	67.0	74.0	60.6
* Jan. 1, 1946	38.1	37.5	38.7	67.9	74.7	61.7
Feb. 1	44.1	44.4	43.8	68.1	75.2	61.3
Mar. 1	44.0	44.2	43.9	67.9	74.5	61.5
Apr. 1	44.4	44.6	44.2	68.4	75.1	61.8
* May 1	43.0	43.2	42.8	68.9	75.5	62.4
June 1	42.0	42.1	41.9	69.1	75.1	63.3
July 1	42.4	42.8	42.1	70.0	75.7	64.1
Aug. 1	43.0	43.2	42.8	70.0	75.8	64.4
Sept. 1	42.7	42.6	42.7	70.6	76.5	65.1
Oct. 1	42.9	42.8	42.9	71.4	77.8	65.7
Nov. 1	42.4	42.5	42.3	72.9	79.4	66.7
Dec. 1	43.2	43.2	43.2	74.5	81.8	67.6
* Jan. 1, 1947	38.1	38.0	38.1	76.3	83.3	69.4
Feb. 1	43.2	43.2	43.1	76.4	83.5	69.4
Mar. 1	43.4	43.6	43.2	77.1	84.2	69.9
Apr. 1	43.2	43.4	43.1	77.6	84.3	70.5
May 1	43.2	43.3	43.1	78.3	85.4	71.2
June 1	42.9	43.0	42.7	79.9	86.2	73.4
July 1	42.0	42.5	41.6	80.8	86.3	74.7
Aug. 1	42.5	42.6	42.3	81.3	87.7	74.8
Sept. 1	42.3	42.5	42.2	82.2	88.8	75.7
Oct. 1	43.1	43.5	42.6	83.4	90.6	76.2
Nov. 1	42.9	43.1	42.7	84.7	91.9	77.6
Dec. 1	43.5	43.8	43.2	85.6	92.8	78.3
* Jan. 1, 1948	38.3	38.6	38.1	86.6	92.9	80.1

\* The averages at these dates were affected by loss of working time at the year-end holidays in the case of Jan. 1, and by the Easter holidays in the case of Apr. 1, 1945, and May 1, 1946.

insurance contributions, etc. The Jan. 1, 1948, figure of average weekly wages exceeded by 14.1 p.c., 28.2 p.c., and 19.7 p.c., the averages indicated at the same dates in 1947, 1946 and 1945, respectively. The 10.9 p.c. decline from the preceding month to a considerable extent was a result of the sharp drop in the hours worked at the holiday season.

Hours Worked. - A total of 29,533,118 hours was reported by the plants furnishing data in the week of Jan. 1, as compared with 34,560,916 in the week of Dec. 1; these figures include time paid for but not worked on the holidays, as well as hours worked. Practically all industries showed a lower level of activity in the week under review. In some cases, the average hours reported slightly exceeded those indicated 12 months earlier, notably in the iron and steel, electrical apparatus, non-ferrous metal and clay, glass and stone industries. In the heavy manufactured goods division, the reported hours totalled 14,926,147, a falling-off of 13.6 p.c. from the aggregate of 17,270,646 indicated in the week of Dec. 1, 1947. In the non-durable manufactured goods, the hours were given as 14,606,972, being less by 15.5 p.c. than the total of 17,290,270 reported in the preceding survey.

In manufacturing as a whole, the time worked, on the average, in the week of Jan. 1, 1947, was less by 5.2 hours than that in Dec. 1. A year earlier, the reduction from Dec. 1 to Jan. 1 was 5.4 hours. The latest weekly average of 38.3 hours was higher by one fifth of an hour than the mean in the same period in either 1947 or 1946, but was rather lower than the Jan. 1, 1945, average of 39.6 hours. In the durable manufactured goods industries, the average hours fell from 43.8 in the week of Dec. 1, 1947, to 38.6 in that of Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with 38.0 at Jan. 1, 1947, 37.5 at Jan. 1, 1946 and 39.7 at Jan. 1, 1945. In the non-durable manufactured goods division, the indicated hours averaged 38.1, as compared with the means of 43.2 at Dec. 1, and 38.1, 38.7 and 39.5 at Jan. 1 in 1947, 1946 and 1945, respectively. As already stated, increasingly large numbers of establishments reported payment to their employees for the holidays; in such cases, the hours credited are regarded as hours worked.

The statistics of average hours worked and average hourly earnings in manufacturing in the period for which data are available are summarized in Table 1 on page 2.

Hourly-Earnings. - The aggregate earnings of the hourly-rated personnel in manufacturing as a whole were given as \$25,563,771 in the week of Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with \$29,570,232 at Dec. 1, 1947. The decline amounted to 13.5 p.c. resulting from lowered working hours, (regular and overtime) and from reduced employment. In the heavy manufactured goods industries, the reported weekly wages amounted to \$13,866,863 in the week of Jan. 1, when the total was less by 13.5 p.c. than that of \$16,023,918 disbursed in the week of Dec. 1. A falling-off was also indicated in the earnings of hourly-rated wage-earners engaged in the production of non-durable manufactured goods, in which the aggregate of \$11,696,908 was less by 13.7 p.c. than in the preceding period of observation. It should be noted that in spite of these important seasonal losses in the earnings disbursed by the co-operating factories, certain establishments and industries in both categories reported the payment of higher wage-rates at Jan. 1, 1948.

The hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole averaged 86.6 cents in the week of Jan. 1. This was the highest figure in the record of 39 months. The previous maximum was that of 85.6 cents at Dec. 1, 1947. The means at Jan. 1 in 1947, 1946 and 1945 were 76.3, 67.9 and 70 cents, respectively.

In the durable manufactured goods industries, the hourly earnings averaged 92.9 cents at Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with 92.8 cents at Dec. 1, 1947, 83.3 cents, 74.7 cents and 77.1 cents at Jan. 1 in 1947, 1946 and 1945, respectively.

TABLE 2.- AVERAGE WEEKLY SALARIES AND WAGES, AND AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF HOURLY-RATED WAGE-EARNERS AS REPORTED IN MANUFACTURING AS A WHOLE, AND IN THE MANUFACTURE OF DURABLE GOODS AND OF NON-DURABLE GOODS.

Week Preceding		All Manufactures <sup>1/</sup>	Average Weekly Wages	Durable Manufactured Goods	Average Weekly Wages	Non-Durable Manufactured Goods	Average Weekly Wages
		Average Weekly Salaries & Wages		Average Weekly Salaries & Wages		Average Weekly Salaries & Wages	
Nov. 1, 1944		\$33.13	\$32.55	\$36.67	\$36.52	\$28.99	\$27.23
Dec. 1		33.29	32.64	36.83	36.54	29.23	27.48
* Jan. 1, 1945		30.11	27.72	32.77	30.61	27.05	24.06
Feb. 1		32.98	31.83	36.44	35.79	29.06	26.95
Mar. 1		33.50	32.11	37.04	36.18	29.46	27.14
* Apr. 1		32.48	30.69	35.78	34.48	28.73	26.07
May 1		33.51	32.08	36.98	36.08	29.58	27.10
June 1		32.81	31.14	35.76	34.64	29.48	26.95
July 1		32.91	31.05	36.02	34.65	29.33	26.50
Aug. 1		32.65	30.79	35.67	34.37	29.33	26.53
Sept. 1		32.51	30.52	35.58	33.81	29.60	26.80
Oct. 1		32.45	30.31	35.57	33.93	29.61	26.88
Nov. 1		32.55	30.31	35.60	33.88	29.84	27.03
Dec. 1		32.32	30.02	35.20	33.23	29.83	27.03
* Jan. 1, 1946		29.32	25.87	31.30	28.01	27.57	23.88
Feb. 1		32.29	30.03	35.23	33.39	29.69	26.85
Mar. 1		32.29	29.88	34.90	32.93	29.98	27.00
Apr. 1		32.69	30.37	35.34	33.49	30.30	27.32
* May 1		32.10	29.63	34.51	32.62	29.89	26.67
June 1		31.67	29.02	33.79	31.62	29.80	26.52
July 1		32.21	29.68	34.39	32.40	30.23	26.99
Aug. 1		32.53	30.10	34.62	32.75	30.68	27.56
Sept. 1		32.59	30.15	34.65	32.59	30.82	27.80
Oct. 1		33.06	30.63	35.43	33.30	31.08	28.19
Nov. 1		33.32	30.91	35.83	33.75	31.17	28.21
Dec. 1		34.43	32.18	37.15	35.34	32.07	29.20
* Jan. 1, 1947		32.23	29.07	34.40	31.65	30.29	26.44
Feb. 1		35.22	33.00	37.91	36.07	32.82	29.91
Mar. 1		35.69	33.46	38.48	36.71	33.17	30.20
Apr. 1		35.87	33.52	38.59	36.80	33.38	30.39
May 1		36.13	33.83	38.83	36.98	33.67	30.69
June 1		36.52	34.28	38.91	37.07	34.32	31.11
July 1		36.34	33.94	38.71	36.89	34.18	31.08
Aug. 1		36.85	34.55	39.26	37.36	34.65	31.64
Sept. 1		37.05	34.77	39.49	37.74	34.83	31.95
Oct. 1		37.94	35.95	40.94	39.41	36.21	32.46
Nov. 1		38.42	36.34	41.26	39.70	36.86	33.14
Dec. 1		39.16	37.24	42.09	40.65	36.50	33.83
* Jan. 1, 1948		36.13	33.17	38.28	35.86	34.14	30.52

<sup>1/</sup> Exclusive of electric light and power.

\* See footnote on page 2.



The hourly earnings in the light manufactured goods industries taken as a whole averaged 80.1 cents, as compared with 78.3 cents at Dec. 1, 69.4 cents at Jan. 1, 1947, 61.7 at Jan. 1, 1946, and 60.9 at the same date in 1945. As in the case of the durable manufactured goods industries, the latest hourly rate was the highest in the record. Seasonal declines in employment in the food industries contributed to this increase, but the textile, rubber, pulp and paper, chemical and certain other industries also displayed decided gains.

Average Weekly Wages.-- As has previously been pointed out, information on man-hours and hourly earnings is not available for all classes of wage-earners, but only for those workers for whom employers keep accurate records of hours worked, being mainly those who are paid by the hour; in general, this restriction also results in the exclusion of salaried personnel. Among the classes of wage-earners for whom satisfactory records of hours worked are frequently not available are piece-workers in some but not all establishments, route-drivers, delivery men, etc. It may be noted that many firms state that the earnings of their wage-earners paid at other than hourly rates exceed those of their hourly-rated personnel; this is particularly the case among piece-workers. In general, however, the wage-earners for whom statistics are given in the present bulletin form important proportions of the total personnel of the co-operating establishments. Thus at the beginning of January, the wage-earners for whom data on man-hours and hourly earnings were available constituted 75.4 p.c. of the total number of persons of all categories on the payrolls of the manufacturers<sup>1/</sup> furnishing monthly statistics on employment and payrolls at the same date; in the heavy manufactured goods industries, the ratio was 78.7 p.c. and that in the light manufactured goods division, 72.2 p.c.

The important proportions which the hourly-rated wage-earners constitute of the total employees of the co-operating establishments<sup>1/</sup> lend interest to the comparisons in Table 2. This shows the fluctuations in the average earnings of salaried employees and wage-earners reported by the co-operating manufacturers in the last 39 months, and those in the weekly earnings of hourly-rated wage-earners; the latter figures are obtained by multiplying the average hourly earnings in the week of observation by the average hours worked in the same week. At Jan. 1, 1948, there was a decline of \$3.13 in the weekly salaries-and-wages figure as compared with Dec. 1, while the weekly earnings of hourly-rated personnel fell in the same comparison by \$4.07. In the durable manufactured goods industries, the co-operating establishments indicated a loss of \$3.81 in the salaries-and-wages figure, and of \$4.79 in the weekly earnings of hourly-rated personnel. In the non-durable manufactured goods industries, the average weekly earnings of the persons on salaries and wages declined by \$2.36 as compared with Dec. 1, and those of the hourly-rated personnel by \$3.31. As compared with Jan. 1, 1947, however, there were marked increases at the date under review in the combined salaries-and-wages figures and in the earnings of hourly-rated personnel. Thus in the last 12 months, the weekly earnings for salaried employees and wage-earners in manufacturing as a whole have shown a rise of \$3.90 and those of hourly-rated wage-earners, of \$4.10. There are increases of \$6.81 and \$7.30 in the two years' comparison of the data.

In the comparison with Jan. 1 of 1947 and 1946, the wages paid hourly-rated wage-earners at the date under review in the all-manufactures' group and in plants turning out durable and non-durable manufactured goods showed greater advances, in terms of money and percentages, than were indicated in the more general figures of salaries and wages. The percentage changes in the figures of salaries and wages and of those of the weekly wages shown in the above comparisons, however, were reasonably comparable.

In the period since Jan. 1, 1945, the weekly salaries and wages in manufacturing

<sup>1/</sup> That is, of establishments ordinarily employing 15 persons and over.

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as a whole have risen by 20 p.c. as compared with an advance of 19.7 p.c. in the weekly wages of employees for whom statistics of man-hours are available. In the case of the durable manufactured goods industries, the increase at Jan. 1, 1948, among salaried employees and wage-earners as compared with Jan. 1, 1945, was 16.8 p.c. and that among wage-earners, 17.2 p.c. In the non-durable manufactured goods division, there was a rise of 26.2 p.c. in the figure of weekly salaries and wages, as compared with that of 26.8 p.c., in the weekly wages of the reported hourly-rated personnel. Differences in the present industrial distribution of the workers as compared with that existing in the latter months of the war, and curtailment of overtime work, contribute materially to the greater disparities shown in the comparison with Jan. 1, 1945, in the earnings of persons employed in the light and the heavy manufactured goods industries.

The following table gives the increases at the beginning of January in comparison with the same dates in 1947 and 1946, in the weekly salaries-and-wages figures and the weekly wages in the reporting manufacturing establishments generally and in certain broad categories of manufacturing:

Increases at Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with:

Industrial Division	Jan. 1, 1947				Jan. 1, 1946			
	Salaries and Wages		Weekly Wages		Salaries and Wages		Weekly Wages	
	\$	p.c.	\$	p.c.	\$	p.c.	\$	p.c.
All Manufacturing	3.90	12.1	4.10	14.1	6.81	23.2	7.30	28.2
Durable Manufacturing	3.88	11.3	4.21	13.3	6.98	22.3	7.85	28.0
Non-Durable Manufacturing	3.85	12.7	4.08	15.4	6.57	23.8	6.64	27.8

## 2. Non-Manufacturing Industries.

In the non-manufacturing industries, smaller proportions of the employees are paid by the hour, with the result that accurate records of the hours worked are frequently lacking. The representation in the non-manufacturing industries in the monthly statistics of man-hours and hourly earnings is therefore smaller than that in manufacturing.

The hours worked in mining as a whole in the week of Jan. 1 were reported as 2,465,661, a total which was lower by 17.9 p.c. than that of 3,003,025 indicated for the week of Dec. 1. The number of wage-earners fell from 68,998 that week, to 67,281 in the week under review, or by 2.5 p.c. A seasonal decline in the employment of firms engaged in the extraction of non-metallic minerals accounted for much of the loss. The hours reported in mining at Jan. 1 averaged 36.6 per week, as compared with 43.5 at Dec. 1, 1947, 34.9 in the week of Jan. 1, 1947 and 40.5 in the same period of 1946. The latest average of hourly earnings was 104.0 cents, as compared with 103.0 cents at Dec. 1, 1947, and 94.4 and 86.1 cents, 12 and 24 months earlier. The average hourly earnings in the coal mining division showed an increase of 3.4 cents over Dec. 1, 1947. This was accounted for by an increase in wage rates in the Nova Scotia mines. The metallic division showed a negligible decrease while there was an increase in the firms extracting non-metallic ores. Local transportation, (consisting chiefly of street and electric railways) reported a reduction in the average hours worked, but an increase in the average hourly earnings; the latter stood at 90 7 cents, as compared with 88.4 cents in the preceding period of observation, and 78.8 cents at Jan. 1, 1947. In building construction, the reported hours and number of wage-earners employed declined from the week of Dec. 1, but there was an increase of three-tenths of a cent in the average earnings. The hours worked by persons engaged in the highway construction and maintenance industries were rather



lower on the average, while the average earnings were somewhat higher than at Dec. 1, and also exceeded those indicated a year ago. There was little change in the hours worked on the average by persons employed by hotels and restaurants. The hours reported in the group averaged 43 in the week of Jan. 1, 1948. There was a slight decline in hourly earnings over the same period, the average at Dec. 1, 1947, standing at 54.7 cents as compared to the latest figure of 54.4 cents. At Jan. 1, 1947, the average hourly earnings were 51.3 cents. In the laundry and dry-cleaning group, the hours were seasonally lower, falling from 41.2 at Dec. 1, 1947, to 37.6 at Jan. 1, 1948. At the same date a year ago the average hours worked were 37.2. The average hourly earnings increased by one-half a cent between Dec. 1, 1947 and Jan. 1, 1948. At Jan. 1, 1948, they stood at 59.1 cents as compared with 58.6 cents at Dec. 1, 1947 and 51.4 cents at Jan. 1, 1947.

Table 4 gives a historic summary of the average hours and average hourly earnings for the past twenty-five months in the non-manufacturing industries for which data are available.

### 3. Provincial Statistics for Leading Industries.

Monthly statistics of man-hours and average hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole in the various provinces in the last 25 months are given in Table 5. While Table 6 contains figures of average weekly wages of wage-earners for whom data are available since Nov. 1, 1944. In Table 7 are shown provincial statistics of average hours and average hourly earnings at Jan. 1, 1948, and Dec. 1 and Jan. 1, 1947, for the manufacturing industries employing considerable numbers of hourly-rated workers.

In all provinces, the average hours in manufacturing as a whole in the week of Jan. 1 were decidedly lower than in that of Dec. 1, due to the observance of the holidays, together with shut-downs for inventory, etc. In Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia, there were slight increases in the hours worked in the week of Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with the week of Jan. 1, 1947. In the remaining provinces, the average working time was rather lower in the period under review than in the same week of 1947.

The following table shows the percentage increases in the hourly-rates and the weekly wages in the various provinces at Jan. 1, 1948, reported by leading manufacturing establishments as compared with the same date one and two years earlier, together with the number of wage-earners included in the survey at the latest date:-

Province	Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners Reported at Jan. 1, 1948 No.	Increase in Average Hourly Earnings at Jan. 1, 1948, over		Increase in Average Weekly Wages at Jan. 1, 1948, over	
		Jan. 1 1947	Jan. 1 1946	Jan. 1 1947	Jan. 1 1946
		p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Nova Scotia	19,574	10.0	14.3	16.4	18.8
New Brunswick	14,262	11.3	22.9	11.9	21.7
Quebec	249,878	13.6	27.0	13.3	26.7
Ontario	384,948	13.4	30.0	12.5	31.7
Manitoba	27,555	9.5	21.4	13.2	23.3
Saskatchewan	5,554	15.8	28.7	12.1	25.8
Alberta	14,607	12.5	19.4	13.9	20.9
British Columbia	53,498	14.9	28.7	16.2	24.7
Canada	770,238	13.5	27.5	14.1	28.2

There were increases at Jan. 1 as compared with Dec. 1 in the average hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole in all provinces. The advances varied from that

of 0.3 cents in Ontario and 0.7 cents in Alberta, to 1.5 in Saskatchewan and 1.7 cents in British Columbia. In all areas, the general averages in manufacturing were a good deal higher than at Jan. 1 in 1947, 1946 or 1945. In the last year, the largest increases were those of 10.7 cents per hour in Ontario, 12.1 cents in Saskatchewan and 13.6 cents in British Columbia.

It should again be mentioned that the rates in all provinces have substantially advanced in recent months in a majority of industries, the general rise in manufacturing in the various provinces is affected to an important extent by the industrial distributions therein.

#### 4. Statistics for the Larger Cities.

Monthly statistics of average hours worked and average hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole in the larger cities in the last 25 months are given in Table 8, while Table 9 contains figures of average weekly wages of wage-earners for whom data are available since Nov. 1, 1944. In Table 10 statistics of average hours and average hourly earnings are shown for the major industries in the larger cities as at Jan. 1, 1948, Dec. 1 and Jan. 1, 1947.

As has previously been stated, the variations in the average rates in manufacturing as a whole in the cities are partly, or largely, due to existing differences in the industrial distributions of the wage-earners for whom statistics are available; the related sex distribution constitutes another important factor.

The average hours worked in manufacturing as a whole in the cities for which data are published were lower in the holiday week of Jan. 1 than in that of Dec. 1. In all five centres, the hours reported in manufacturing at the date under review were rather higher than in the same week in 1947. Except in Vancouver the working hours averaged slightly below those reported for the week of Jan. 1 in 1946.

The average hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole in the leading cities showed continued advances in the week of Jan. 1, when increases over the rates indicated in the week of Dec. 1 were noted in each of the cities for which data are given in Table 10. The gains varied from 0.3 cents in Toronto and 0.9 cents in Vancouver, to 1.3 cents in Montreal and Hamilton, and 1.5 cents in Winnipeg.

The trend of average earnings in manufacturing as a whole in the leading cities has been steadily upward in recent months. The percentage increases in the average hourly earnings and the average weekly wages reported in manufacturing as a whole in the leading industrial cities at Jan. 1, 1948, as compared with one and two years earlier, are given in the following table.

City	Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners Reported at Jan. 1, 1948 No.	Increase in Average Hourly Earnings at Jan. 1, 1948, over		Increase in Weekly Wages at Jan. 1, 1948, over	
		Jan. 1 1947	Jan. 1 1946	Jan. 1 1947	Jan. 1 1946
		p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
Montreal	129,217	11.6	22.7	12.7	24.7
Toronto	112,833	14.2	26.3	16.1	28.7
Hamilton	40,910	14.2	29.3	17.8	37.7
Winnipeg	24,577	9.1	20.4	14.1	21.9
Vancouver	23,635	12.5	25.5	15.9	21.9

As compared with Dec. 1, the hourly averages in numerous industries within the leading cities showed small increases; in the few cases in which the trend was downward, the declines largely resulted from reductions in the amount of overtime worked at premium rates during the holiday season. Seasonal declines in employment in the food industries were a contributing factor in the continued rise in hourly earnings. Wage increases in a number of important establishments assisted in making this general trend now pronounced.

As already stated, the rates of gain depend to a considerable extent upon the industrial distribution of the reported wage-earners in the given city or area. The general increase at Jan. 1 in manufacturing in Canada as a whole as compared with 12 months earlier was 13.5 p.c. in the case of the average hourly rate and 14.1 p.c. in the case of the average weekly wages, while in the 24 months' comparisons, the Dominion average of hourly earnings shows a gain of 27.5 p.c., and that of weekly wages, of 28.2 p.c. With the exception of the Ontario cities the percentage gains in hourly earnings over the last twelve months were less pronounced in the cities, than was the case in the province in which the city is situated. In Montreal the gain was 11.5 p.c. in comparison with 13.6 p.c. in Quebec; in Winnipeg 9.1 p.c. and in Manitoba 9.5 p.c.; in Vancouver the increase amounted to 12.5 p.c. while the hourly earnings over the province as a whole increased by 14.9 p.c. On the other hand, in Toronto and Hamilton the gains coincided at 14.2 p.c. while the Ontario earnings over the same period increased by 13.4 p.c.

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Table 3.- Average Hours and Average Hourly and Weekly Earnings of Wage-Earners for Whom Data are available at Jan. 1, 1948, With Comparative Figures for Dec. 1, 1947, and Jan. 1, 1947.

(The latest figures are subject to revision).

INDUSTRIES	Average Hours Per Week Reported at			Average Hourly Earnings Reported at			Average Weekly Wages			Wage-Earners <sup>3/</sup> Working Hours Shown in Col.1
	Jan.1	Dec.1	Jan.1	Jan.1	Dec.1	Jan.1	Jan.1	Dec.1	Jan.1	
	1948	1947	1947	1948	1947	1947	1948	1947	1947	
	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	no.	
MANUFACTURING	38.3	43.5	38.1	86.6	85.6	76.3	33.17	37.24	29.07	770,238
*Durable manufactured goods	38.6	43.8	38.0	92.9	92.8	83.3	35.86	40.65	31.65	387,137
Non-durable manufactured goods	38.1	43.2	38.1	80.1	78.3	69.4	30.62	33.83	26.44	383,101
Animal products - edible	38.9	44.5	38.6	86.4	84.4	74.1	33.61	37.66	28.60	25,408
Dairy products	45.8	47.1	46.2	71.7	70.9	64.1	32.84	33.39	29.61	5,351
Meat products	37.6	44.3	37.4	94.4	91.5	80.8	35.49	40.53	30.22	17,638
Leather products	35.8	40.3	37.3	68.7	68.5	58.9	24.59	27.61	21.97	22,464
Leather boots and shoes	35.6	40.0	37.7	65.1	64.9	55.3	23.10	25.96	20.85	14,046
*Lumber products	36.9	42.3	37.3	81.3	79.6	69.3	30.00	33.67	25.85	61,601
Rough and dressed lumber	36.4	41.3	36.9	86.0	84.2	73.5	31.30	34.77	27.12	33,932
Containers	37.9	42.9	37.4	78.6	76.4	65.3	29.79	32.78	24.42	7,478
Furniture	37.8	43.7	37.9	76.7	75.3	65.3	28.99	32.91	24.75	12,971
*Musical instruments	40.3	45.6	38.8	73.2	71.9	61.4	29.50	32.79	23.82	864
Plant products - edible	38.1	42.0	38.5	69.5	68.1	61.4	26.48	28.60	23.64	40,405
Flour and other milled products	37.8	45.2	43.0	84.4	83.0	71.5	31.90	37.62	30.75	5,736
Fruit and vegetable preserving	32.4	39.0	31.1	64.1	63.4	56.7	20.77	24.73	17.63	7,484
Bread and bakery products	41.7	42.4	41.8	66.9	65.7	58.6	27.90	27.86	24.49	12,908
Chocolate and cocoa products	34.8	42.2	34.8	58.7	58.1	53.1	20.43	24.62	18.48	6,491
Pulp and paper products	42.2	46.2	42.6	95.1	93.6	81.3	40.13	43.24	34.63	81,430
Pulp and paper	47.1	49.7	46.9	101.2	100.2	85.6	47.67	49.80	40.15	41,344
Paper products	35.7	43.8	37.5	75.4	74.4	64.0	26.92	32.69	24.00	16,573
Printing and publishing	38.2	41.6	39.0	94.8	93.5	84.2	36.21	38.90	32.84	23,513
Rubber products	37.5	43.6	35.9	93.7	91.0	85.3	35.14	39.68	30.62	19,949
Textile products	35.4	41.9	35.1	67.0	66.2	58.5	23.72	27.74	20.53	122,628
Thread, yarn and cloth	38.5	45.0	38.7	67.5	66.5	57.6	25.99	29.93	22.29	61,774
Cotton yarn and cloth	38.0	44.6	40.3	67.8	67.1	56.7	25.76	29.93	22.85	20,423
Woollen yarn and cloth	37.0	44.1	37.2	66.8	66.4	57.3	24.72	29.28	21.32	13,546
Silk and artificial silk goods	40.6	46.1	36.8	67.6	66.4	59.4	27.45	30.61	21.86	13,549
Hosiery and knit goods	35.7	42.0	34.2	62.6	61.4	54.9	22.35	25.79	18.78	21,691
Garments and personal furnishings	31.0	38.0	31.4	67.4	66.9	61.1	20.89	25.42	19.19	36,760
Tobacco	29.3	42.1	26.9	65.9	65.8	56.3	19.31	27.70	15.14	9,060
Beverages	41.4	44.0	42.0	86.3	85.1	75.8	35.73	37.44	31.84	12,780
Distilled and malt liquor	40.5	43.6	41.5	89.5	87.9	77.8	36.25	38.32	32.29	10,957
Chemicals and allied products	41.4	43.6	41.0	87.3	85.6	75.0	36.14	37.32	30.75	24,470
Drugs and medicines	39.7	41.2	40.8	72.3	70.1	65.8	28.70	28.88	26.85	3,871
Clay, glass and stone products	41.3	46.3	40.5	84.0	84.0	73.4	34.69	38.89	29.73	17,290
Glass products	42.4	46.4	40.1	80.6	80.5	72.0	34.17	37.35	28.87	5,841
Lime, gypsum and cement products	40.2	47.5	40.2	83.9	84.1	73.3	33.73	39.95	31.25	4,275
Electrical apparatus	39.0	42.1	38.4	93.1	91.9	80.0	36.31	38.69	30.72	39,452
Heavy electrical apparatus <sup>1/</sup>	41.9	42.8	42.0	100.9	97.6	89.4	42.28	41.77	37.55	9,990
*Iron and steel products	38.3	44.2	37.7	96.4	97.1	88.6	36.92	42.92	33.40	229,748
Crude, rolled and forged products	42.1	46.2	39.3	99.4	99.4	90.5	41.85	45.92	35.57	33,519
Primary iron and steel	42.5	46.1	39.1	101.2	101.1	92.3	43.01	46.61	36.09	26,472
Machinery (other than vehicles)	39.3	45.4	38.2	90.9	90.1	79.7	35.72	40.91	30.45	22,043
Agricultural implements	40.6	43.3	40.7	98.8	98.9	87.7	40.11	42.82	35.69	13,993
Land vehicles and aircraft	37.4	43.0	38.3	100.4	102.6	96.3	37.55	44.12	36.88	63,559
Railway rolling stock	43.7	43.4	42.2	95.2	95.9	94.7	41.60	41.62	39.96	39,074
Automobiles and parts	32.2	42.4	35.1	108.8	111.5	101.3	35.03	47.28	35.66	37,785
Aeroplanes and parts	29.6	43.9	33.7	94.2	92.3	88.8	27.88	40.52	29.93	5,937
Steel shipbuilding and repairing	35.3	46.5	35.1	97.5	97.7	90.9	34.42	45.43	31.91	18,180
Iron and steel fabrication n.e.s.	38.0	43.2	36.9	93.4	93.2	86.0	35.49	40.26	31.73	8,620
Hardware, tools and outlery	38.4	43.9	37.3	86.0	85.3	74.4	33.02	37.45	27.75	10,266
Foundry and machine shop products	34.5	43.7	36.7	93.8	95.7	84.2	32.36	41.82	30.90	6,576
Sheet metal work	35.5	43.0	34.6	86.7	85.6	75.6	30.78	36.81	26.16	11,815
*Non-ferrous metal products	41.0	43.9	39.8	94.4	93.3	82.7	38.70	40.96	32.91	38,192
Preparation of non-ferrous metallic ores	42.7	43.8	40.3	103.3	103.1	92.4	44.11	45.16	37.24	10,644
Aluminum and its products	43.9	45.4	43.0	94.5	93.4	82.1	41.40	42.40	35.30	10,274
Brass and copper mfg.	39.3	43.1	38.1	91.7	89.5	80.5	36.04	38.57	31.62	9,662
Non-metallic mineral products	40.8	43.7	40.7	101.9	97.7	88.8	41.58	42.69	36.14	10,006
Petroleum and its products	39.5	42.1	39.6	110.9	104.9	98.8	43.81	44.16	39.12	6,132
Miscellaneous manufactured products	36.9	42.5	36.2	76.9	76.3	65.8	28.38	32.43	23.82	14,601
MINING	36.6	43.5	34.9	104.0	103.0	94.4	38.06	44.81	32.95	67,281
Coal	30.5	38.9	28.8	115.3	111.9	106.0	35.17	43.53	28.41	22,007
Metallic ores	39.0	45.7	39.3	104.3	104.4	95.3	40.68	47.71	37.45	34,512
Non-metallic minerals (except coal)	41.6	45.9	39.8	86.4	84.6	74.0	35.94	38.83	29.45	10,762
LOCAL TRANSPORTATION <sup>2/</sup>	43.7	45.4	44.8	90.7	88.4	78.8	39.64	40.13	35.30	30,238
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION	34.3	40.9	32.8	96.8	96.5	86.3	33.20	39.47	28.31	73,967
HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION	35.7	36.6	37.7	76.1	74.7	66.3	27.17	27.34	25.00	31,524
SERVICES (as indicated below)	41.2	42.4	40.9	55.8	56.0	51.3	22.99	23.74	20.98	34,103
Hotels and restaurants	43.0	42.9	43.0	54.4	54.7	51.3	23.39	23.47	22.06	22,705
Personal (chiefly laundries)	37.6	41.2	37.2	59.1	58.6	51.4	22.22	24.14	19.12	11,398

The industries classed in the durable manufactured industries are indicated by an asterisk.

<sup>1/</sup>Since 1941, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has prepared current indexes of average hourly earnings of the employees of eight establishments producing heavy electrical apparatus. Based upon the hourly earnings at June 1, 1941, as 100 p.c., the latest figures are as follows: Nov. 1, 1947, 184.6; Dec. 1, 1947, 185.2; Jan. 1, 1948, 181.5; Jan. 1, 1947, the index was 169.6

<sup>2/</sup>Chiefly street and electric railways. <sup>3/</sup> For information respecting the sex distribution of the persons in recorded employment, see monthly bulletins on employment and payrolls.

Table 4.- Average Hours Worked and Average Hourly Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Specified Non-Manufacturing Industries.

Week of		Mining All Branches	Coal Mining	Metallic Mining	Non-Metallic Mining	Local Transportation
(a) Average Hours Worked Per Week						
*Jan.	1, 1946	40.5	38.9	41.1	43.1	45.1
Feb.	1	44.6	42.2	46.3	46.1	46.7
Mar.	1	44.5	42.3	45.9	45.8	47.2
Apr.	1	44.3	41.5	46.0	45.9	46.4
*May	1	42.6	39.1	45.0	44.3	46.0
June	1	43.3	39.4	45.6	45.4	45.7
July	1	43.6	40.1	45.9	45.0	46.5
Aug.	1	42.9	38.9	45.4	45.1	46.5
Sept.	1	42.9	40.0	44.3	45.4	46.3
Oct.	1	43.7	40.9	45.5	45.3	46.6
Nov.	1	43.2	39.6	45.3	45.7	46.2
Dec.	1	42.3	39.2	44.5	43.6	46.3
*Jan.	1, 1947	34.9	26.8	39.3	39.8	44.8
Feb.	1	43.3	40.1	45.6	44.1	46.8
Mar.	1	43.6	35.9	45.9	45.3	46.8
Apr.	1	43.2	38.3	44.3	45.2	45.5
May	1	43.4	38.1	44.6	45.2	45.6
June	1	40.5	30.7	44.7	44.4	44.9
July	1	42.2	37.6	44.5	43.8	45.8
Aug.	1	42.9	39.2	44.8	44.4	45.6
Sept.	1	42.5	38.6	44.2	44.8	45.5
Oct.	1	43.6	39.9	44.9	46.2	45.6
Nov.	1	42.9	38.4	44.8	45.5	44.8
Dec.	1	43.5	38.9	45.7	45.9	45.4
*Jan.	1, 1948	36.6	30.5	39.0	41.6	43.7

(b) Average Hourly Earnings (in cents)

Jan.	1, 1946	86.1	94.0	86.0	65.0	71.0
Feb.	1	85.6	94.4	84.7	64.1	70.4
Mar.	1	86.4	95.0	85.7	64.6	70.7
Apr.	1	86.3	96.0	85.1	64.8	70.4
May	1	86.4	95.3	86.2	66.6	70.8
June	1	86.1	95.1	86.2	66.6	71.2
July	1	87.5	95.4	88.8	67.1	71.7
Aug.	1	87.3	95.7	88.4	68.1	71.5
Sept.	1	87.4	95.0	88.9	69.0	71.9
Oct.	1	88.3	95.7	89.2	70.5	76.8
Nov.	1	89.5	98.7	89.4	71.0	77.0
Dec.	1	91.3	100.9	90.7	72.3	77.4
Jan.	1, 1947	94.4	106.0	95.3	74.0	78.8
Feb.	1	94.0	102.3	94.1	74.1	81.1
Mar.	1	95.1	114.7	95.8	73.8	81.8
Apr.	1	95.8	113.6	96.8	75.1	82.1
May	1	96.6	114.7	97.8	75.5	82.6
June	1	96.9	112.7	97.8	76.5	83.9
July	1	98.9	109.8	101.0	77.3	84.5
Aug.	1	98.6	107.4	101.0	78.2	83.8
Sept.	1	100.6	111.1	102.6	80.2	84.8
Oct.	1	101.1	110.9	103.0	81.2	85.4
Nov.	1	101.1	110.3	103.0	82.3	87.6
Dec.	1	103.0	111.9	104.4	84.6	88.4
Jan.	1, 1948	104.0	115.3	104.3	86.4	90.7

Table 4.- Average Hours Worked and Average Hourly Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Specified Non-Manufacturing Industries. (Concluded).

<u>Week of</u>		<u>Building Construction</u>	<u>Highway Construction</u>	<u>Services as Specified</u>	<u>Hotels Restaurants</u>	<u>Personal Services</u>
(a) <u>Average Hours Worked Per Week</u>						
*Jan.	1, 1946	32.5	35.2	41.6	44.3	36.5
Feb.	1	38.8	39.6	43.3	44.6	40.7
Mar.	1	39.8	41.2	44.2	45.7	41.3
Apr.	1	40.2	39.8	43.9	44.7	42.4
*May	1	38.7	36.0	44.2	45.4	42.1
June	1	37.4	35.7	42.5	43.9	40.0
July	1	38.4	38.5	43.4	44.7	41.0
Aug.	1	40.4	38.5	43.3	44.3	41.2
Sept.	1	39.5	37.9	43.5	44.7	41.2
Oct.	1	40.1	38.2	42.7	43.5	41.2
Nov.	1	39.7	37.2	43.1	43.9	41.6
Dec.	1	39.5	35.6	43.0	43.6	41.8
*Jan.	1, 1947	32.8	37.7	40.9	43.0	37.2
Feb.	1	38.9	43.4	42.6	43.6	41.0
Mar.	1	40.1	46.3	43.3	44.2	41.6
Apr.	1	38.9	39.5	43.1	43.8	41.9
May	1	39.7	36.9	43.2	43.7	42.1
June	1	39.1	37.4	42.7	43.4	41.3
July	1	38.8	38.7	42.3	43.1	40.8
Aug.	1	40.5	39.1	42.5	43.6	40.4
Sept.	1	40.0	39.6	42.4	43.3	40.6
Oct.	1	40.5	38.9	42.5	43.3	40.9
Nov.	1	40.7	37.4	42.4	43.2	40.9
Dec.	1	40.9	36.6	42.4	42.9	58.6
*Jan.	1, 1948	34.3	35.7	41.2	43.0	59.1

(b) Average Hourly Earnings (in cents)

Jan.	1, 1946	82.3	64.6	43.8	42.3	47.4
Feb.	1	82.8	65.5	43.9	42.3	47.2
Mar.	1	83.1	65.1	44.4	43.1	47.1
Apr.	1	82.3	65.7	44.4	42.8	47.5
May	1	82.0	65.5	44.8	43.4	47.4
June	1	82.2	65.2	45.8	44.5	48.4
July	1	82.8	64.7	45.7	44.5	48.3
Aug.	1	82.7	65.8	45.5	44.4	48.0
Sept.	1	83.7	66.1	45.9	44.5	48.9
Oct.	1	85.3	65.8	48.3	47.5	49.8
Nov.	1	85.8	67.1	48.3	47.3	50.4
Dec.	1	86.0	67.0	50.9	50.8	51.0
Jan.	1, 1947	86.3	66.3	51.3	51.3	51.4
Feb.	1	87.6	67.3	50.9	51.0	50.7
Mar.	1	88.2	67.4	51.5	51.5	51.5
Apr.	1	88.1	69.2	51.7	51.1	52.7
May	1	89.3	71.1	52.0	51.6	52.8
June	1	90.9	71.3	52.3	51.6	53.8
July	1	90.7	71.0	53.1	52.3	54.7
Aug.	1	91.4	71.7	52.6	51.6	55.0
Sept.	1	92.9	71.5	53.5	52.2	56.2
Oct.	1	94.8	72.6	54.7	53.4	57.5
Nov.	1	95.8	74.7	55.1	53.8	58.0
Dec.	1	96.5	74.7	56.0	54.7	58.6
Jan.	1, 1948	96.8	76.1	55.8	54.4	59.1



TABLE 5 - AVERAGE HOURS WORKED AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF HOURLY-RATED WAGE-EARNERS REPORTED IN MANUFACTURING AS A WHOLE, BY PROVINCES.

<u>Week of</u>	<u>N.S.</u>	<u>N.B.</u>	<u>Que.</u>	<u>Ont.</u>	<u>Man.</u>	<u>Sask.</u>	<u>Alta.</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
(a) <u>Average Hours Worked</u>								
Jan. 1, 1946	38.5	41.1	39.5	37.2	39.1	41.3	39.3	36.1
Feb. 1	44.4	46.3	46.2	42.9	43.4	42.3	43.3	42.4
Mar. 1	45.0	45.8	46.4	42.6	43.7	42.8	43.2	42.9
Apr. 1	45.8	47.3	46.5	43.2	43.9	42.6	43.0	42.2
May 1	43.6	46.2	44.6	42.1	42.9	42.3	42.7	41.3
June 1	43.3	44.3	44.1	40.6	42.4	42.9	41.8	40.4
July 1	44.2	45.9	42.9	42.0	42.6	43.3	41.9	41.0
Aug. 1	43.1	45.6	44.9	42.0	42.6	42.2	41.5	40.9
Sept. 1	42.5	45.0	44.9	41.4	42.2	42.7	41.4	40.2
Oct. 1	42.1	46.0	44.9	41.8	42.0	43.6	41.5	40.5
Nov. 1	43.7	45.5	44.7	41.0	42.3	45.1	42.1	40.1
Dec. 1	45.0	45.8	45.2	42.2	43.1	45.2	42.4	39.4
Jan. 1, 1947	37.8	40.5	39.5	38.1	38.4	40.6	39.8	34.6
Feb. 1	44.8	46.1	45.0	42.3	42.8	42.3	42.6	39.8
Mar. 1	44.3	46.2	45.2	42.5	42.7	43.7	42.6	40.5
Apr. 1	44.6	46.7	45.1	42.2	43.1	43.5	43.1	40.5
May 1	44.6	46.0	45.2	42.3	42.6	43.0	42.5	39.8
June 1	43.2	45.7	44.8	41.9	42.5	42.7	43.1	40.0
July 1	45.2	45.6	42.3	41.8	42.7	42.5	42.7	39.5
Aug. 1	44.7	44.4	43.9	41.9	41.7	42.9	41.5	39.0
Sept. 1	44.2	45.4	44.4	41.4	42.3	41.2	41.9	38.1
Oct. 1	43.9	44.7	45.0	42.4	41.8	42.5	41.7	39.2
Nov. 1	44.1	45.3	45.0	42.1	42.0	42.4	41.1	38.8
Dec. 1	44.8	44.7	45.6	42.8	43.1	42.8	42.3	38.4
Jan. 1, 1948	40.0	40.7	39.4	37.8	39.7	39.3	40.3	35.0

(b) Average Hourly Earnings (in cents)

Jan. 1, 1946	68.5	64.1	61.9	69.8	69.5	70.1	71.6	81.6
Feb. 1	69.9	63.1	62.0	70.4	69.6	70.5	70.9	81.3
Mar. 1	69.6	63.5	62.1	70.1	69.4	70.7	71.2	80.9
Apr. 1	69.1	63.8	62.2	71.1	69.8	70.6	70.9	80.9
May 1	69.8	63.8	62.7	71.6	70.1	69.5	71.5	81.0
June 1	69.3	63.1	64.0	71.7	70.5	68.0	72.1	81.4
July 1	68.5	64.5	65.2	71.6	70.5	69.1	71.8	84.7
Aug. 1	67.1	64.9	64.8	71.9	70.5	70.6	72.2	85.7
Sept. 1	66.5	64.6	66.0	72.3	71.0	71.2	72.2	85.8
Oct. 1	67.3	66.3	66.5	73.0	72.9	72.0	73.0	87.1
Nov. 1	69.1	67.4	67.4	75.2	72.7	72.1	72.4	88.3
Dec. 1	69.6	67.8	67.8	77.8	75.6	76.2	75.4	90.1
Jan. 1, 1947	71.2	70.8	69.2	79.3	77.1	76.8	76.0	91.4
Feb. 1	71.9	70.7	69.1	80.0	77.1	78.6	76.0	91.8
Mar. 1	73.6	70.8	69.5	80.7	77.3	79.1	76.9	93.0
Apr. 1	76.0	70.9	69.9	81.5	77.6	78.3	77.4	92.8
May 1	75.1	71.4	70.7	82.2	78.1	79.5	78.9	93.5
June 1	74.6	73.5	72.6	83.7	79.0	79.8	79.4	94.8
July 1	75.4	74.0	73.9	84.1	80.0	80.3	79.9	96.0
Aug. 1	75.3	74.3	73.7	85.0	80.1	82.0	79.3	98.3
Sept. 1	76.7	75.9	74.4	86.3	80.6	83.7	80.5	98.4
Oct. 1	76.0	76.3	75.8	87.4	81.5	84.3	81.9	100.3
Nov. 1	78.2	77.0	76.5	89.1	82.6	86.8	84.7	101.7
Dec. 1	77.1	77.4	77.2	90.2	83.0	87.4	84.8	103.3
Jan. 1, 1948	78.3	78.8	78.6	90.5	84.4	88.9	86.5	105.0

Table 6.- Average Weekly Wages of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners Reported by Leading Manufacturing Establishments, by Provinces.

The latest data are subject to revision.

Week of		Canada	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1944		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Nov.	1	32.55	35.82	28.66	31.62	33.03	28.59	30.27	31.61	34.32
Dec.	1	32.64	35.78	30.31	31.14	33.22	30.68	30.76	32.13	35.44
1945										
*Jan.	1	27.72	28.69	25.10	26.74	27.90	27.23	26.08	29.55	31.13
Feb.	1	31.83	34.66	28.28	30.25	32.39	29.11	30.44	31.30	36.03
Mar.	1	32.11	34.44	29.41	30.69	32.61	30.26	30.60	32.14	35.95
*Apr.	1	30.69	34.30	28.74	29.16	31.01	29.24	28.62	31.36	34.90
May	1	32.08	35.31	29.28	30.66	32.38	29.72	31.23	32.12	35.87
June	1	31.14	33.08	28.67	30.25	31.38	29.33	27.50	31.70	34.28
July	1	31.05	32.94	29.25	29.25	31.55	29.67	27.78	31.36	34.65
Aug.	1	30.79	31.93	28.94	29.54	31.11	28.27	27.31	29.91	35.36
Sept.	1	30.52	31.56	28.40	29.15	30.79	29.83	28.90	30.80	34.28
Oct.	1	30.31	31.45	28.55	29.28	30.31	29.89	28.93	30.22	34.76
Nov.	1	30.31	31.50	28.58	29.30	30.36	30.26	29.39	30.66	34.42
Dec.	1	30.02	32.20	28.58	29.06	29.30	30.41	30.73	30.33	33.77
1946										
*Jan.	1	25.87	26.37	26.35	24.45	25.97	27.17	28.95	28.50	29.46
Feb.	1	30.03	31.04	29.22	28.64	30.20	30.21	29.82	30.70	34.47
Mar.	1	29.98	31.32	29.08	28.81	29.86	30.33	30.26	30.76	34.71
Apr.	1	30.37	31.65	30.18	28.92	30.72	30.64	30.08	30.49	34.14
*May	1	29.63	30.43	28.84	27.96	30.14	30.07	29.40	30.53	33.45
June	1	29.02	30.01	27.95	28.22	29.11	29.89	29.17	30.14	32.89
July	1	29.68	30.28	29.61	27.97	30.07	30.03	29.92	30.08	34.73
Aug.	1	30.10	28.92	29.59	29.10	30.20	30.03	29.73	29.96	35.06
Sept.	1	30.15	28.26	29.07	29.63	29.93	29.96	30.40	29.89	34.49
Oct.	1	30.63	28.33	30.50	29.86	30.51	30.62	31.39	30.30	35.28
Nov.	1	30.91	30.20	30.67	30.13	30.83	30.75	31.08	30.90	35.41
Dec.	1	32.18	31.32	31.05	30.65	32.83	32.58	32.92	31.97	35.50
1947										
*Jan.	1	29.07	26.91	28.67	27.33	30.40	29.61	31.18	30.25	31.62
Feb.	1	33.00	32.21	32.59	31.10	33.84	33.00	33.25	32.38	36.54
Mar.	1	33.46	32.60	32.71	31.41	34.30	33.01	34.57	32.76	37.67
Apr.	1	33.52	33.90	33.11	31.52	34.39	33.45	34.06	33.36	37.58
*May	1	33.83	33.49	32.84	31.96	34.77	33.27	34.19	33.53	37.21
June	1	34.28	32.23	33.59	32.52	35.07	33.58	34.07	34.22	37.92
July	1	33.94	34.08	33.74	31.26	35.15	34.16	34.13	34.12	37.92
Aug.	1	34.55	33.88	32.99	32.35	35.62	33.40	35.18	32.91	38.34
Sept.	1	34.77	33.90	34.46	33.03	35.73	34.09	34.48	33.73	37.49
Oct.	1	35.96	33.36	34.11	34.11	37.06	34.07	35.83	34.15	39.32
Nov.	1	36.34	34.65	34.96	34.43	37.51	34.69	36.80	34.90	39.41
Dec.	1	37.24	34.54	34.60	35.20	38.61	35.77	37.41	35.87	39.67
1948										
*Jan.	1	33.17	31.32	32.07	30.97	34.21	33.51	34.94	34.46	36.75

Number of Wage-Earners for whom Statistics are Available at Jan. 1, 1948.

770,238 19,574 14,262 249,878 384,948 27,555 5,554 14,607 53,498

\* See footnote on page 2.

Table 7.- Average Hours and Average Hourly Earnings of Wage-Earners in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec for Whom Data are Available at Jan. 1, 1948, With Comparative Figures at Dec. 1, 1947, and Jan. 1, 1947.

(The latest figures are subject to revision).

Provinces and Industries	Average Hours Per Week Reported at			Average Hourly Earnings Reported at		
	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1
	1948	1947	1947	1948	1947	1947
	no.	no.	no.	¢	¢	¢
<b>NOVA SCOTIA - Manufacturing</b>	40.0	44.8	37.8	78.3	77.1	71.2
Animal products	32.3	40.7	31.3	64.1	61.5	55.8
Lumber products	39.5	45.4	39.4	56.0	57.7	55.8
Textiles	39.5	42.8	39.8	53.7	54.7	48.3
Iron and steel	40.2	45.1	36.1	92.6	92.2	85.3
Crude, rolled and forged products	43.4	45.8	38.0	92.9	92.8	84.4
Steel shipbuilding	38.2	43.8	33.8	94.7	93.9	87.9
Mining - Coal	28.4	39.7	23.4	109.6	104.8	90.0
Construction - Building	27.9	36.2	33.4	81.1	77.3	74.3
- Highway	22.3	26.0	19.3	70.3	64.8	64.3
<b>NEW BRUNSWICK - Manufacturing</b>	40.7	44.7	40.5	78.8	77.4	70.8
Rough and dressed lumber	38.8	45.4	40.5	60.5	61.7	57.3
Pulp and paper mills	48.4	49.4	47.8	97.8	98.3	82.8
Iron and steel	38.9	40.6	38.9	90.3	91.3	88.4
Construction - Building	35.5	42.3	30.7	80.7	77.9	79.3
- Highway	25.1	25.7	22.6	65.0	70.6	60.4
<b>QUEBEC - Manufacturing</b>	39.4	45.6	39.5	78.6	77.2	69.2
Leather products	35.0	39.7	39.5	61.5	61.1	52.7
Leather boots and shoes	35.3	39.6	40.5	61.7	61.4	52.8
Lumber products	40.7	49.2	42.4	62.5	61.0	55.4
Rough and dressed lumber	42.9	50.3	43.2	59.7	59.0	54.4
Plant products - edible	42.0	47.1	43.7	63.4	61.9	56.4
Pulp and paper products	44.0	48.8	44.6	93.4	91.4	79.7
Pulp and paper mills	47.7	50.8	47.5	98.2	97.0	83.2
Textiles	36.3	43.3	36.5	64.6	63.0	56.3
Cotton yarn and cloth	41.0	45.8	43.2	66.1	64.0	56.5
Silk and artificial silk goods	41.4	47.8	38.7	63.9	62.5	56.0
Hosiery and knit goods	36.0	45.7	34.1	60.6	58.2	52.9
Garments and personal furnishings	30.5	38.1	31.4	65.1	64.3	58.7
Chemicals	42.4	45.4	43.2	78.9	78.0	68.2
Electrical apparatus	40.2	41.6	37.1	91.5	90.0	77.7
Iron and steel	39.7	47.0	39.0	89.9	90.2	84.3
Machinery other than vehicles	42.3	49.7	40.9	82.4	83.2	72.8
Railway rolling stock	43.5	42.9	41.9	98.0	99.3	98.7
Aeroplanes and parts	25.6	44.5	32.7	93.5	91.7	90.9
Steel shipbuilding	38.2	52.4	38.3	93.3	94.9	86.3
Non-ferrous metal products	43.4	46.7	42.5	90.4	89.4	76.6
Aluminum and its products	44.7	46.8	43.9	97.0	96.5	83.5
Mining - Metallic ores	42.7	47.8	42.7	95.0	96.2	87.4
- Non-metallic minerals (except coal)	43.7	47.9	41.6	79.3	78.4	68.8
Street railways, cartage and storage	45.0	46.5	46.7	86.8	85.8	79.4
Construction - Building	34.7	41.4	32.7	89.2	88.6	80.8
- Highway	41.2	37.6	46.8	64.1	63.8	55.7
Services	43.3	45.6	43.4	51.9	52.2	47.3



Table 7.- Average Hours and Average Hourly Earnings of Wage-Earners in Ontario for Whom Data are Available at Jan. 1, 1948, with Comparative Figures at Dec. 1, 1947, and Jan. 1, 1947. (Continued)

Provinces and Industries	Average Hours Per Week Reported at			Average Hourly Earnings Reported at		
	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1
	1948	1947	1947	1948	1947	1947
	no.	no.	no.	¢	¢	¢
ONTARIO - Manufacturing	37.8	42.8	38.1	90.5	90.2	79.8
Animal products - edible	40.3	45.7	40.8	85.4	85.2	76.1
Meat products	37.8	45.8	38.3	92.6	91.8	83.2
Leather products	36.6	41.0	35.1	75.5	75.9	66.8
Leather boots and shoes	35.9	40.7	32.4	69.4	69.6	60.6
Lumber products	37.8	43.4	37.1	74.0	73.5	64.4
Rough and dressed lumber	38.8	43.9	39.1	71.5	71.0	61.9
Furniture	37.8	42.9	36.4	78.7	78.5	67.3
Plant products - edible	35.7	40.7	35.9	71.6	70.4	63.8
Fruit and vegetable canning	30.8	39.0	28.1	69.4	67.6	61.3
Bread and bakery products	40.4	40.1	40.0	67.8	66.9	59.7
Pulp and paper mills	47.5	49.6	47.5	103.8	102.2	88.1
Paper products	37.3	43.0	38.0	79.6	79.0	66.9
Printing and publishing	37.2	40.5	38.5	96.3	95.0	84.7
Rubber products	37.4	42.5	34.3	100.9	101.4	93.2
Textiles	34.2	40.2	33.3	71.7	72.0	62.8
Cotton yarn and cloth	32.1	42.0	33.1	72.4	73.8	58.2
Woollen yarn and cloth	36.5	42.8	36.2	68.9	69.0	59.6
Hosiery and knit goods	35.1	39.3	34.2	65.5	65.4	57.0
Garments and personal furnishings	31.6	37.6	30.8	75.0	75.3	69.3
Chemicals	41.0	42.7	39.8	91.7	89.8	78.5
Drugs and medicines	38.1	39.7	-	74.8	72.3	-
Clay, glass and stone products	41.3	45.3	40.7	86.9	87.3	75.3
Electrical apparatus	38.6	42.3	39.0	94.0	92.9	80.9
Iron and steel	37.4	43.6	37.3	100.0	101.0	90.1
Crude, rolled and forged products	42.4	46.1	40.1	105.6	105.8	95.0
Machinery other than vehicles	37.8	43.6	37.3	94.8	93.6	82.5
Agricultural implements	40.4	43.1	40.4	100.3	100.4	89.5
Railway rolling stock	43.3	44.7	41.1	95.6	95.9	92.4
Automobiles and parts	32.1	42.3	35.1	110.0	112.6	102.3
Aeroplanes and parts	38.4	42.9	37.4	97.8	96.4	83.0
Steel shipbuilding	35.5	44.3	38.4	92.0	91.7	87.3
Iron and steel fabrication n.e.s.	38.8	43.5	36.0	93.2	92.7	81.4
Foundry and machine shop products	34.2	43.6	37.8	95.0	97.5	84.6
Sheet metal work	34.8	42.5	34.6	87.4	87.5	75.9
Non-ferrous metal products	40.2	43.1	38.7	94.2	93.2	84.0
Preparation of non-ferrous metallic ores	43.7	45.0	40.1	100.0	100.3	91.9
Brass and copper mfg.	39.3	41.5	-	88.4	95.6	-
Mining - Metallic ores	37.6	45.7	37.8	102.9	102.6	96.3
Street railways, cartage and storage	42.6	45.3	44.4	93.1	88.9	77.0
Construction - Building	36.1	42.1	34.2	93.9	100.1	87.4
- Highway	37.9	42.1	37.5	80.9	80.3	72.2
Services	39.8	40.5	39.5	56.4	57.0	51.5
Hotels and restaurants	42.0	41.7	42.0	55.0	55.7	52.1

Table 7.- Average Hours and Average Hourly Earnings of Wage-Earners in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia for Whom Data are Available at Jan. 1, 1948, with Comparative Figures at Dec. 1, 1947, and Jan. 1, 1947. (Concluded)  
(The latest figures are subject to revision).

Provinces and Industries	Average Hours Per Week Reported at			Average Hourly Earnings Reported at		
	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1	Jan. 1	Dec. 1	Jan. 1
	1948	1947	1947	1948	1947	1947
	no.	no.	no.	¢	¢	¢
<b>MANITOBA - Manufacturing</b>	39.7	43.1	38.4	84.4	83.0	77.1
Meat products	33.6	43.6	32.5	99.3	90.5	80.1
Plant products - edible	41.4	42.8	42.7	70.3	69.5	60.9
Garments and personal furnishings	31.5	38.4	32.5	66.0	65.9	58.0
Iron and steel	42.7	43.3	40.1	89.8	89.3	87.6
Railway rolling stock	44.4	42.5	41.7	93.2	93.5	93.4
Construction - Building	31.8	41.1	34.1	93.3	92.8	84.7
- Highway	34.9	36.5	34.4	73.8	69.8	69.7
Services	41.4	42.6	39.1	55.5	54.3	53.2
<b>SASKATCHEWAN - Manufacturing</b>	39.3	42.8	40.6	88.9	87.4	76.8
Meat products	35.5	42.3	38.8	97.3	92.0	80.9
Construction - Building	32.7	39.7	32.5	92.8	91.8	77.9
- Highway	36.9	39.0	36.0	73.6	70.2	67.9
Services	43.9	44.4	45.6	55.0	54.9	50.0
<b>ALBERTA - Manufacturing</b>	40.3	42.3	39.8	85.5	84.8	76.0
Meat products	35.6	42.9	35.5	92.3	91.6	81.0
Plant products - edible	41.6	36.9	44.6	78.4	77.3	65.0
Railway rolling stock	46.2	44.5	45.1	90.9	91.0	90.1
Mining - Coal	32.9	38.6	29.9	123.9	124.3	123.0
Construction - Building	30.8	37.1	28.4	104.1	99.0	92.2
Services	42.9	43.8	44.1	56.5	56.2	51.9
<b>BRITISH COLUMBIA - Manufacturing</b>	35.0	38.4	34.6	105.0	103.3	91.4
Lumber products	33.4	36.4	32.5	108.4	107.8	94.6
Rough and dressed lumber	32.9	36.4	32.3	109.7	109.2	96.2
Plant products - edible	35.0	35.7	33.2	81.8	76.5	68.5
Fruit and vegetable canning	27.3	32.8	28.7	77.8	71.4	63.1
Pulp and paper mills	43.0	46.1	42.3	111.9	112.1	92.3
Iron and steel	32.8	38.6	32.8	108.1	109.0	99.5
Steel shipbuilding	28.5	36.6	31.3	115.4	115.1	102.5
Non-ferrous metal products	38.0	39.3	38.1	112.8	112.1	94.9
Logging	35.9	37.9	32.0	136.2	139.1	121.4
Mining - Coal	32.1	34.3	29.9	115.5	114.5	118.3
- Metallic ores	36.9	42.5	39.0	114.8	115.0	102.1
Street railways, cartage and storage	41.4	44.2	41.6	101.3	99.6	87.8
Construction - Building	30.2	38.3	28.9	121.6	121.1	105.5
- Highway	32.8	36.1	32.1	92.7	93.6	81.1
Services	38.1	38.7	37.0	66.3	66.0	62.1

TABLE 3 .- AVERAGE HOURS WORKED AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF HOURLY-RATED WAGE-EARNERS REPORTED IN MANUFACTURING AS A WHOLE IN INDICATED CITIES.

<u>Week of</u>	<u>Montreal</u>	<u>Toronto</u>	<u>Hamilton</u>	<u>Winnipeg</u>	<u>Vancouver</u>
	(a) <u>Average Hours Worked</u>				
*Jan. 1, 1946	36.8	36.3	37.0	38.7	34.8
Feb. 1	44.8	41.5	42.6	42.8	41.8
Mar. 1	44.8	41.5	42.9	43.2	41.8
Apr. 1	44.9	42.1	43.3	43.2	41.0
*May 1	42.6	40.9	42.1	42.3	39.8
June 1	42.7	39.5	40.0	41.9	39.3
July 1	41.0	41.0	42.1	42.2	40.3
Aug. 1	42.8	40.7	41.8	42.2	39.9
Sept. 1	43.1	40.7	41.7	41.9	38.7
Oct. 1	42.5	40.5	41.8	41.6	39.3
Nov. 1	43.1	40.2	40.7	41.7	38.9
Dec. 1	43.3	41.2	42.5	42.6	38.8
*Jan. 1, 1947	37.0	36.7	38.2	37.5	32.8
Feb. 1	42.9	40.6	42.8	42.2	39.0
Mar. 1	42.9	40.9	43.4	42.2	39.9
Apr. 1	43.2	40.8	42.3	42.5	40.2
May 1	43.1	40.9	42.0	42.1	39.9
June 1	42.6	40.5	42.2	42.2	39.8
July 1	40.4	40.7	41.5	42.3	39.0
Aug. 1	41.2	40.2	41.9	41.2	38.2
Sept. 1	41.9	40.1	41.4	41.7	38.2
Oct. 1	42.6	40.3	42.2	41.2	38.6
Nov. 1	43.1	40.9	41.1	41.4	38.1
Dec. 1	43.4	41.4	42.6	42.8	38.3
*Jan. 1, 1948	37.4	37.0	39.4	39.2	33.8

(b) Average Hourly Earnings (in cents)

Jan. 1, 1946	67.4	71.4	73.4	69.6	81.9
Feb. 1	66.7	70.9	72.4	69.5	81.7
Mar. 1	67.1	71.1	71.9	69.1	81.0
Apr. 1	67.2	71.4	72.5	69.6	80.6
May 1	67.9	71.7	73.1	70.1	80.9
June 1	68.5	71.9	73.4	70.6	80.7
July 1	69.0	71.4	73.4	70.1	82.6
Aug. 1	68.7	71.8	71.8	70.0	83.5
Sept. 1	70.4	72.6	71.9	70.5	85.9
Oct. 1	71.1	74.1	72.0	72.4	87.4
Nov. 1	72.0	75.0	77.9	72.4	89.7
Dec. 1	72.6	77.3	81.0	75.5	90.9
Jan. 1, 1947	74.2	79.0	83.1	76.8	91.4
Feb. 1	74.1	79.8	83.7	76.6	91.9
Mar. 1	74.7	80.6	84.4	76.7	92.7
Apr. 1	74.9	81.5	85.4	77.3	92.2
May 1	75.7	82.2	85.5	77.6	92.8
June 1	76.3	83.2	86.3	77.9	93.7
July 1	77.6	83.7	86.0	79.3	93.8
Aug. 1	77.3	84.5	87.1	79.0	95.8
Sept. 1	78.3	86.0	88.9	79.6	96.8
Oct. 1	79.9	87.7	90.3	80.4	99.5
Nov. 1	80.7	88.5	91.0	81.9	101.0
Dec. 1	81.4	89.9	93.6	82.3	101.9
Jan. 1, 1948	82.7	90.2	94.9	83.3	102.8



Table 9.- Average Weekly Wages of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners Employed in Leading Manufacturing Establishments by Cities.

(The latest data are subject to revision).

<u>Week of</u>		<u>Montreal</u>	<u>Toronto</u>	<u>Hamilton</u>	<u>Winnipeg</u>	<u>Vancouver</u>
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Nov.	1, 1944	33.16	31.61	33.73	28.27	34.29
Dec.	1	33.11	32.28	33.84	30.57	36.04
*Jan.	1, 1945	27.74	26.74	28.08	27.01	30.37
Feb.	1	32.01	30.91	33.47	28.87	36.25
Mar.	1	32.41	31.93	33.64	30.17	36.17
*Apr.	1	30.63	29.77	32.77	29.28	35.01
May	1	32.45	31.50	33.89	29.58	36.59
June	1	31.28	31.12	31.64	29.21	34.46
July	1	30.47	31.31	32.38	29.51	34.98
Aug.	1	31.01	30.55	32.59	27.97	35.87
Sept.	1	30.84	30.38	31.35	29.62	34.64
Oct.	1	30.71	29.95	31.80	29.64	35.24
Nov.	1	30.83	30.12	30.91	30.01	35.06
Dec.	1	30.84	29.79	31.29	30.80	33.95
*Jan.	1, 1946	24.80	25.92	27.16	26.94	28.50
Feb.	1	29.88	29.42	30.84	29.75	34.15
Mar.	1	30.06	29.51	30.85	29.85	33.86
Apr.	1	30.17	30.06	31.39	30.07	33.05
*May	1	28.93	29.33	30.78	29.65	32.20
June	1	29.25	28.40	29.36	29.58	31.72
July	1	28.29	29.27	30.90	29.58	33.29
Aug.	1	29.40	29.22	30.01	29.54	33.32
Sept.	1	30.34	29.55	29.98	29.54	33.24
Oct.	1	30.22	30.01	30.10	30.12	34.35
Nov.	1	31.03	30.15	31.71	30.19	34.89
Dec.	1	31.44	31.85	34.43	32.16	35.27
*Jan.	1, 1947	27.45	28.99	31.74	28.80	29.98
Feb.	1	31.79	32.40	35.82	32.33	35.84
Mar.	1	32.05	32.97	36.63	32.37	36.99
Apr.	1	32.36	33.25	36.12	32.85	37.06
May	1	32.63	33.62	35.91	32.67	37.03
June	1	32.50	33.70	36.42	32.87	37.29
July	1	31.35	34.07	35.69	33.54	36.58
Aug.	1	31.85	33.97	36.48	32.55	36.60
Sept.	1	32.81	34.49	36.80	33.19	36.98
Oct.	1	34.04	35.78	38.11	33.12	38.41
Nov.	1	34.66	36.11	37.40	33.91	38.47
Dec.	1	35.33	37.22	39.87	35.22	39.03
*Jan.	1, 1948	30.93	33.37	37.39	32.85	34.75

Number of Wage-Earners for whom Statistics were Available at Jan. 1, 1948.

129,217

112,833

40,910

24,577

23,635

**Table 10.- Average Hours Per Week and Average Hourly Earnings of Wage-Earners in Certain Cities for Whom Data are Available at Jan. 1, 1948, with Comparative Figures at Dec. 1, 1947, and Jan. 1, 1947.**

(The latest figures are subject to revision).

Cities and Industries	Average Hours Per Week Reported at			Average Hourly Earnings Reported at		
	Jan.1	Dec.1	Jan.1	Jan.1	Dec.1	Jan.1
	1948	1947	1947	1948	1947	1947
	no.	no.	no.	¢	¢	¢
<b>Montreal - Manufacturing</b>	37.4	43.4	37.0	82.7	81.4	74.2
Leather products	34.5	39.9	37.8	65.9	65.0	58.1
Plant products - edible	41.7	47.1	43.8	65.3	63.7	57.2
Textiles - all branches	32.6	38.9	31.9	69.8	69.0	62.6
Tobacco	29.7	41.6	26.4	73.6	71.9	60.3
Electrical apparatus	40.1	41.5	37.1	92.3	90.7	78.5
Iron and steel	38.5	44.8	37.1	93.9	94.1	88.8
Street railways, cartage and storage	45.1	45.7	46.0	91.6	90.1	83.2
Building construction	33.2	39.9	30.9	94.5	93.7	86.7
Services	42.7	45.2	43.0	52.6	52.9	47.9
<b>Toronto - Manufacturing</b>	37.0	41.4	36.7	90.2	89.9	79.0
Plant products - edible	34.5	38.6	33.9	69.7	69.4	62.3
Paper products	38.8	41.8	37.8	76.9	76.5	68.1
Printing and publishing	36.3	38.7	38.4	103.2	102.5	89.0
Rubber products	33.6	42.0	38.6	107.6	107.0	94.6
Textiles - all branches	33.0	37.4	32.2	79.2	78.8	70.5
Chemicals	39.3	41.1	37.9	88.1	87.8	73.7
Electrical apparatus	38.1	43.3	36.7	91.3	91.2	78.9
Iron and steel	38.1	43.2	36.9	96.3	97.0	85.3
Non-ferrous metal products	38.5	41.8	38.1	96.1	93.5	85.4
Street railways, cartage and storage	41.8	43.3	43.9	100.0	92.6	77.0
Building construction	32.6	39.4	30.9	112.6	112.4	99.9
Services	39.2	39.6	40.0	62.0	62.9	55.5
<b>Hamilton - Manufacturing</b>	39.4	42.6	38.2	94.9	93.6	83.1
Textiles - all branches	34.7	40.3	36.1	70.0	70.2	60.7
Electrical apparatus	39.6	40.3	41.8	104.4	102.1	88.6
Iron and steel	41.9	44.1	38.5	102.5	102.1	91.9
Building construction	33.3	40.0	30.7	97.4	97.6	84.5
<b>Winnipeg - Manufacturing</b>	39.2	42.8	37.5	83.8	82.3	76.8
Animal products - edible	35.4	44.4	34.4	96.2	89.3	78.8
Plant products - edible	41.3	42.8	42.6	70.3	69.6	60.9
Textiles	33.1	39.0	31.6	65.2	65.1	57.5
Iron and steel	42.6	42.7	38.9	90.7	90.4	89.5
Street railways, cartage and storage	44.1	44.7	44.1	82.0	80.8	78.0
Building construction	29.9	40.6	33.0	98.2	98.2	88.3
Services	41.4	42.4	38.9	55.5	54.4	53.2
<b>Vancouver - Manufacturing</b>	33.8	38.3	32.8	102.8	101.9	91.4
Lumber products	33.4	37.4	30.9	109.3	108.6	94.5
Iron and steel	31.5	38.0	31.2	111.5	111.9	102.3
Street railways, cartage and storage	41.0	44.4	41.9	102.4	101.2	88.2
Building construction	31.4	38.6	29.7	121.5	120.2	106.0
Services	37.4	37.9	37.2	67.2	66.8	62.3





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